

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the discussion held May 7, 2009 concerning claims 12, 14, 19, 25, 32, 34, 35, and 36 in the present application. The Examiner identified an issue of patentable subject matter under 35 U.S.C. § 101 with respect to the just-mentioned claims. Rather than engaging in further prosecution by way of a further Office Action, the Examiner and the undersigned discussed a possible amendment, reflected in the claims as set forth on pages 2-12 of this response. This amendment is believed to address the outstanding issue, without the need for further prosecution.

Request for Allowance

It is believed that this Amendment places the application in condition for allowance, and early favorable consideration of this Amendment is earnestly solicited.

If, in the opinion of the Examiner, an interview would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

The Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **11-0600**.

Respectfully submitted,
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